

## § 694.12

assistance, a Federal Pell Grant be awarded first, other public and private grants, scholarships, or tuition discounts be awarded second, a GEAR UP scholarship be awarded third, and then other financial assistance be awarded.

(Authority: 20 U.S.C. 1070a-25)

### **§ 694.12 Under what conditions may a Partnership that does not participate in the GEAR UP scholarship component provide financial assistance to students under the GEAR UP early intervention component?**

A GEAR UP Partnership that does not participate in the GEAR UP scholarship component may provide financial assistance for postsecondary education to students who participate in the early intervention component only if the financial assistance is directly related to, and in support of, other activities of the Partnership under the early intervention component of GEAR UP.

(Authority: 20 U.S.C. 1070a-21 to 1070a-28)

### **§ 694.13 How does a State determine which State agency will apply for, and administer, a State grant under this program?**

The Governor of a State must designate which State agency applies for, and administers, a State grant under GEAR UP.

(Authority: 20 U.S.C. 1070a-21 to 1070a-28)

### **§ 694.14 What requirements must be met by a Partnership or State participating in GEAR UP with respect to 21st Century Scholar Certificates?**

(a) A State or Partnership must provide, in accordance with such procedures as the Secretary may specify, a 21st Century Scholar Certificate from the Secretary of Education to each student participating in the early intervention component of its GEAR UP project.

(b) 21st Century Scholar Certificates must be personalized and indicate the amount of Federal financial aid for college that a student may be eligible to receive.

(Authority: 20 U.S.C. 1070a-26)

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### **§ 694.15 What requirements apply to a State that served students under the National Early Intervention Scholarship and Partnership program (NEISP) and that receives a GEAR UP grant?**

Any State that receives a grant under this part and that served students under the NEISP program on October 6, 1998 must continue to provide services under this part to those students until they complete secondary school.

(Authority: 20 U.S.C. 1070a-21)

### **§ 694.16 What priority must the Secretary establish?**

For any fiscal year, the Secretary must select any State grant applicant that—

(a) On October 6, 1998, carried out successful educational opportunity programs under the National Early Intervention Scholarship and Partnership program (as that program was in effect on that date); and

(b) Has a prior, demonstrated commitment to early intervention leading to college access through collaboration and replication of successful strategies.

(Authority: 20 U.S.C. 1070a-21)

### **§ 694.17 What priorities may the Secretary establish?**

For fiscal year 1999, the Secretary may select one or more of the following priorities:

(a) Projects by Partnerships or States that serve a substantial number or percentage of students who reside in an Empowerment Zone, including a Supplemental Empowerment Zone, or Enterprise Community designated by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development or the U.S. Department of Agriculture.

(b) Partnerships that establish or maintain a financial assistance program that awards scholarships to students either in accordance with section 404E of the HEA, or in accordance with § 694.12.

(Authority: 20 U.S.C. 1070a-21 to 1070a-28)